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In re the Application of

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MONITORING THE STATUS OF
MANUFACTURING PRODUCTS

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Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

In reply to the June 5, 2002, Office Action, the period for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 12, lines 2-21, delete current paragraph and insert therefor:

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In the section for storing programs (MEb) of the memory ME, there are stored a plurality of manufacturing (working) programs (a, b, c and so on) corresponding to a plurality of processes performed in the processing unit CPU (the offset spinning process, oblique spinning process, and coaxial spinning process, according to the present embodiment), among which a predetermined manufacturing (working) program is selected by the processing unit CPU to be executed. As a result, the products will be manufactured in such a manner as described in a published European Patent application No. EP1053799A2. Those manufacturing (working) programs may be stored in the memory ME of the controller CT as